

NEWS OF THE SOCKER PLAYERS

—Local Picked Team to Play Chicago's Best Next Sunday.

PICKINGS FOR THE FANS

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SOCKER FANS SHOW INTEREST IN INTER-CITY FOOTBALL GAMES

Largest Attendance of Season Expected at Kulage's Next Sunday When Local Picked Team Plays Chicago's Best—Republic Newsboys Will Attend Games at Sportsman's Today—Fans Approve of Suppression of Rough Playing.

Local football fans are waiting with great interest for the game scheduled between a picked team of St. Louis and the Hyde Park Blues, the best team in Chicago.

These crack eleven are booked to line up against each other in two games. The first will be played on Christmas Day and the last game on the day following Christmas.

The team from Hyde Park represents the best material in Chicago. They recently won the pennant in that city, and their work was easily the best of any club.

Included in the line-up of the team are many former Scottish and English professionals, who played the game in the various leagues in England.

In Chicago the Hyde Park Blues are

well known. The fans do not care for the game, but they do care for the players. There is plenty of evidence in the fact that the Hyde Park Blues are the only team in Chicago that has a manager who is a professional player. The Hyde Park Blues are the only team in Chicago that has a manager who is a professional player.

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POLEY, HICKMAN, McMANUS.
Trio of fast forwards playing with the Leacock team.

looked upon as an invincible aggregation of soccer artists.

They went through the entire season just closed without having a single defeat chalked up against them.

Of the ten games played, they won nine and drew in one. In the forward line they are said to be very strong.

So as to make the game an entire success, the St. Louis Football Association, the rival organization, will call off its game on Christmas. It is the intention of the league to turn out in a body to see the contest.

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On that day and the day following the Grand Avenue League will bring either The Wanderers or the Douglas Park eleven here.

This spirit of reciprocity meets with the approval of the soccer fans, and shows that both the local leagues have the goal of the game at heart.

Both attractions should be well attended by local patrons of the game, as Chicago will undoubtedly send excellent teams here to contest with the local eleven.

"NEWSIES" DAY AT SPORTSMAN'S.
This is Republic newsboys' day at Sportsman's Park, and the youngsters are expected to turn out in full force.

The demand for tickets on the branches almost exhausted the supply, but it is the intention of the branch offices and The Republic management to see that all the boys will get a treat, in the form of a football game.

All the boys of the North Side, where the game is very popular, are talking about the games.

Hustlers of this section know many of the players personally, and they will go out to Sportsman's Park to root hard and long for their favorites.

While the game is in progress, the hottest full backs in the city will have their efforts well applauded when they line up to-day, for the boys seem to favor this pair.

Tommy Kane should also come in for a liberal share of applause, as many of the boys in the neighborhood of Sportsman's Park know him, and he will go out to see that he gets the proper encouragement.

PINNED BY SUSPENSION.
The St. Louis Football Association's action in suspending certain players of the Sportsman's Park team, and the fact that the organization proposes to put a check on any rough work.

Pinning's playing was not nearly as rough as that of certain players in former years, but then it must be remembered that rough work has the same tendency to ruin the game.

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NATIONAL'S LONG SCHEDULE DISFAVORED BY THE FANS.

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The proposal of the National League to change their original idea of a 140-game season, and to adopt the 150-game season, has met with the approval of the fans.

Johnston's organization had matters all framed up for a short season, and then a post-season series between the various clubs. But the National would have none of it, and adopted the 150-game season.

This move by the National League appears to be a step in the wrong direction. So early did the campaign begin last season that many of the fans throughout the circuit had to appear at the early games in winter coats and hats.

The fans and patrons of the game throughout the circuit denounce the money-making managers, but they simply loathe in their financial way at the expense of the fans.

And they intend to laugh at the public when by forcing them to take 150 games of baseball.

That the policy is an unwise one is generally admitted. Some managers and some players in some leagues are more than willing to play 150 games, but the fans are not.

At the end of the season the attendance at the games is generally low, and the fans are not willing to pay for 150 games of baseball.

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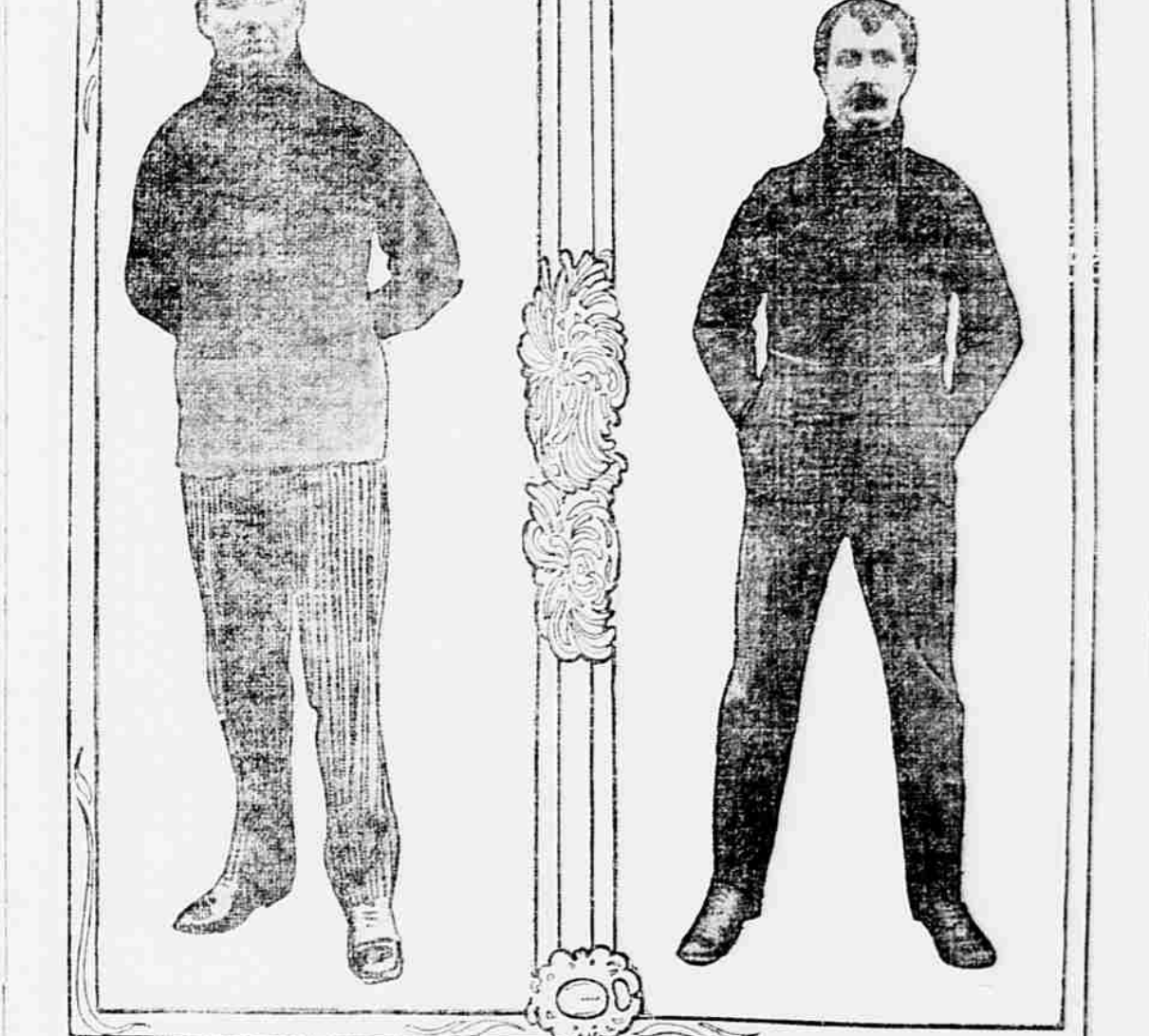
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PAUL McWHINNEY, Former soccer star, who are now the official referees of the St. Louis Association of the football leagues.

JAKE SCHAEFER SAYS HOPPE WITH BE CHAMPION SOME DAY.

Wizard of the Cue Declares That Future Bright Stars for Billiard Player.

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